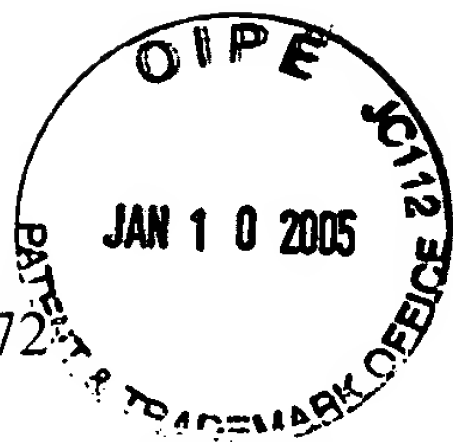


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Application of:)

Applicant(s): Shida et al.)

Serial No.: 09/772,051)

Conf. No.: 8505)

Filed: January 29, 2001)

For: MAGNETIC RECORDING)
MEDIUM AND METHOD OF)
PRODUCING THE SAME,)
AND MAGNETIC STORAGE)
APPARATUS)

Art Unit: 1773)

Examiner: Uhler, Nikolas J.)

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January 5, 2005
Date


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AMENDMENT F

Mail Stop AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2004, please amend the
above-identified Application as follows:

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended		Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	11	-	20	=	x	\$ 50.00	= \$ 0
Independent Claims	3	-	3	=	x	\$200.00	= \$ 0
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims						\$360.00	= \$ 0
						Total Additional Fee	\$ 0
						Small Entity Fee (reduced by half)	\$

(X) Amendment F.

() A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached.

() Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate), with check in the amount of \$_____.

() Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 07-2069.

(X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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